S. Spring Ruritans Install Officers

At a dinner meeting on Monday evening, December 11th, the Spout Spring Ruritan Club had their installation of officers ceremony.

Pictured above, from left to right, are David Smith, Outgoing President; Phillip Scruggs, In-Coming President; Sam Davidson, Secretary; Bert Howard, District Governor; Roger Pillow, Vice-President; Richard Carter, Installing Officer; Dick Dickerson, Treasurer; and Curtis Wooten, Director.

Modernistic Club News Bulletin

The Galilee Baptist Sunday School was well attended Sunday, Dec. 10th, at the 10 o'clock service hour, even though the weather was somewhat inclement. The lesson for discussion was, "A Nation Against God" Jer. 5: 21-25, 29-31. Memory Verse "For my people have committed two evils, they have forsaken me, and hewed out cisterns that can hold no water." Jer. 2:13. The lesson was well taught, and explained by Pastor Lawing. Those who attended classes gained helpful information, about a people who turned away from God and with courageous words, Jeremiah called his people to remembrance, and repentance for their evil ways. The offering for the day was very good.

Mesdames Dorothy Stevens and Eva Allen called for a practice Thursday, Dec. 14, 7 p.m. of all Sunday School children, to come for a last practice for the Christmas program, which will be held Sat. 23, at 7 p.m. Please remember the announcement. All members and friends are invited to attend the annual Christmas program, Sat., Dec. 23rd, at 7 p.m.

This is the last call for the annual "Candlelight Service", sponsored by the Senior Choir of Galilee Baptist Sun., Dec. 17th, at 7 p.m. We shall expect to see you there, and on time.

A very inspiring service was held at First Baptist Church Sunday, Dec. 10th, at the 11:00 o'clock service. A new number turned out. The offering was very liberal.

The regular Christmas service will be held on the 24th of December, at First Baptist Church.

The annual Christmas program will be held Dec. 24th, at 7 p.m. The public is invited to come out and enjoy a program rendered by the youth of the church.

News has been received here of the death of the late Howard Davis, the son of Mrs. Maria Davis, formerly of Appomattox, but had lived in New York City for a number of years. He died suddenly at his home there. Howard was a member of First Baptist Church when he was living here.

The community was saddened to learn of the death of the late William Harris, who lived in Spout Spring, Va., before he moved to Maryland, where he had made his home for a number of years. He was the brother of Mesdames Ethel Turner and Marie Tyler, of Spout Spring. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the family of the deceased.

In and Out of Town

Mr. and Mrs. julian Hamlet attended the Assembly Legal Affairs meeting held in Petersburg, Va. recently. They stated that the meeting was well attended and was filled with helpful information. Mr. J. A. Hamlet is chairman of the Assembley Legal Affairs.

En route home from Petersburg, the Hamlets stopped over at the resident of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Womack in Pamplin City, for a short visit.

Messrs. Robert Watson and George Stevens attended the funeral service of the late Willie E. (Ted) Jones Wed., Dec. 6, at 3:30 p.m. The funeral service was held at Slate River Baptist Church, with the pastor, Rev. Earnest W. Charity officiating. The Reids Funeral Home of Dillwyn, was in charge of funeral arrangements. The late Willie E. (Ted) Jones was be husband of Mrs. Carol P. Jones of Buckingham C. H., Va.

See you next week!

Hears From Missouri Regarding Balloon

In the November 23rd issue of this newspaper, we ran a picture and an article about James William Reed, 15 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Reed of Route 1, Appomattox, finding a multi-colored, helium balloon while waiting for his school bus. The balloon had a note inside from a student in Missouri and James' bus driver. Mrs. Marilyn Harris of Appomattox, offered to write to Terry Chronister in Missouri for him.

Since that time, James, through his bus driver, has heard from Terry and she also received a nice letter from his teacher.

The note from Terry said simply: Dear Marilyn, I am Terry. I am 8 years old and I have two brothers. I caught a bass. I go fishing. Terry.

The letter from the teacher in Missouri is as follows: "Odessa, Missouri, November 28, 1972. Dear Folks, Our room was really thrilled to hear from one of our balloons. You see we were a part of the "Up and Away" project. Over 100 children in grades 1 - 5 are releasing balloons. We released 3 per room per day until we ran out of gas. The rest will be released later. Terry's balloon was released November 14, about 10:00 a.m. This was the first day balloons were released. We released them at different days so the wind would carry them different directions.

We have heard from Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee and Illinois. This balloon traveled the farthest.

Our school has 800 children, kindergarten through grade 5. Ours is a special room. The thirteen children are "slow learners". Terry is 8 years old. He is a happy little boy, full of fun and works at his own rate. Now we are thinking about Christmas.

Odessa is a town of 2000 near (40 minutes) Kansas City. Many of our children come from surrounding areas. This is the largest school in the county. Many trailer courts are springing up. Most people work in the K.C. area.

We are about 17 miles from the edge of Independence, home of President Truman. I am the special ed teacher and have been for 14 years. I live in Odessa with my husband and youngest son. Two married sons live in Odessa and a daughter in California. I have 3 grandsons.

Again I want to express our appreciation for your letter. It was printed in our school bulletin.

Our town has several churches very active in the community. I live in the same block of the Baptist Church. It is encouraging to know other people, too, are interested in religion this day and time. We certainly need more brotherhood in Christ. Sincerely, Mrs. Elsia Farnsworth."

When Terry's bus driver, Mrs. Harris, wrote the letter for him she told as much as she could about our town, our schools and our community.

We are grateful to Mrs. Harris for bringing her letter by for us to copy and reprint for interested readers.

Pamplin Ruritan Install Officers

Pamplin Ruritan Club installed their newly elected officers at their meeting on Friday night, December 8th.

Officers installed pictured above, from left to right, are Donald Baldwin, President; Ralph Inge, Vice-President; Robert McClenny, Jr., Secretary; Roy Lucado, Treasurer; and Woody Wallis, Director.

Officers were installed by R. E. McClenny, Sr.

OAKVILLE 4-H CLUB

The Oakville 4-H Club met November 4 at Oakville School. Nancy Stratton called the meeting to order. She lead us in the 4-H pledge and the American pledge. We talked about the Dog Chain, Dog Show, Pine Seedlings, Livestock, Public Speaking, and going to Tenn. We decided that our meetings would be on Parliamentary Procedure. We talked on some subjects for our programs which are Dog Care, Money, Photography, Good Grooming, First Aid, Ecology, Tree Study, Cooking and Good Sportsmanship. The meeting was adjourned.

Reporter, Berneta Moore

SPOUT SPRING PROGRESSIVE E. H. CLUB TO MEET

The Spout Spring Progressive E. H. Club will meet this Saturday evening, Dec. 16th at 7 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Georgia Fleshman.

The season of the year prompts us to make this a covered dish affair with a Christmas accent.

The families and friends of the members are invited to share the Christmas spirit with us.

We wish every one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Let us all pray for peace in Vietnam.

Don't forget your pals members!

Mrs. Manley Ferguson,
Reporter

JR. TRI-HI-Y

The Jr. Tri-Hi-Y meeting was held December 7, 1972 at the Appomattox Intermediate School. Jeanette Clark, President called the meeting to order and we had the Jr. Tri-Hi-Y Opening Ceremony. Then Teresa Elliott, Susan Doss, Dawn Rush, Teresa Cyrus, Cindy Hix, Belinda McIntosh sang Fill My Cup Full. Then Janice Giles read the minutes of the last meeting. Reverend Riley, the Jr. Tri-Hi-Y Club Pastor talked about "What Happened to Joy" We discussed the service projects, Christmas caroling and baking cookies for an orphanage. We said the Lord's Prayer. Jeanette Clark then adjourned the meeting.

Ann McCraw, Reporter

CHOSEN TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MODEL FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

Miss Joan L. Martin, Financial Aid Officer at Central Virginia Community College has recently been chosen to participate in the development of a model financial aid office for community-junior colleges. East Texas State University has informed Miss Martin that she was selected since the Regional Department of Health, Education and Welfare has identified her as one of eight most knowledgeable community - junior college financial aid officers.

This year Miss Martin and CVCC have assisted over 100 regular full-time students and some seventy part-time police science students. The College is operating with a $154.000 aid program for 1972-73.

Oakville Ruritans Sell T

The Oakville Ruritan Club is now in the process of selling Christmas trees. The trees are on sale at the Appomattox Drug Store from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 weekdays and from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Sat.

In the above picture, Brod Pack, owner of the Appomattox Drug Store, is seen purchasing his Christmas tree from Ruritan member Alfred Marsh.

A shipment of freshly-cut trees arrived on Thursday and are ready for sale. The Ruritan Club of Oakville appreciate it if youwill stop by and get a tree from them to help out with their worthy projects.

4-H CLUB MEETS

Miss Burks class had their fourth 4-H meeting November, 1972. The president, Ernie Chenault called the meeting to order. Mr. Sweet talked to us about pets. They b pet game. It was fu gave us the answe quiz. After we ha questions the me adjourned.

Ronnie Robinson

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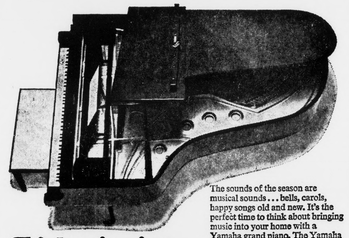

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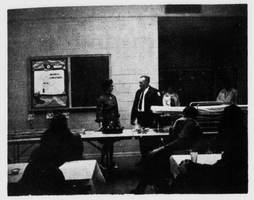
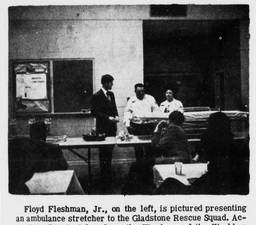
Gifts From The WOW At Christmas

Pictured above, Floyd Fleshman, Jr., on the right, presented the Appomattox Volunteer Fire Department with a smoke eliminator. Accepting the gift for the Department were Dick Bass, on the left, and Skinny Wooldridge, in the center.



Mrs. Roberta Austin, pictured on the left, presented the Appomattox County Rescue Squad with an orthopedic stretcher from the Woodmen of the World at their annual Christmas banquet on Saturday evening. Accepting the stretcher on behalf of the ACRS was A. A. Bohannon, Vice-President of the local squad.



Floyd Fleshman, Jr., on the left, is pictured presenting an ambulance stretcher to the Gladstone Rescue Squad. Accepting the stretcher from the Woodmen of the World on behalf of the Gladstone Squad were Mr. and Mrs. Percy Showalter of Gladstone.

STATE POLICE TRAIN FOR BREATH TEST OPERATION

Richmond, Va. - With the breath test becoming legal for the final determination in driving while intoxicated cases January 1, 1973, Colonel H. W. Burgess, Superintendent of State Police, reported today that the Department has qualified seven men as instructors and 150 to administer tests.

Colonel Burgess explained that while the "roadside" breath test has been permitted for several years, this is administered through a device which does not give pinpoint accuracy but only an indication to the police officer as to whether the driver has been drinking and approximately to what extent. The driver is not required to be under arrest and must request it. The result is not permissable as evidence.

The breath test for final determination will be administered through refined, accurate equipment by police personnel who have undergone a minimum of 40 hours of instruction and practice.

The blood test, which has been the only test medium since implied consent was enacted in 1962, will still be permitted with the accused given his choice. However, Colonel Burgess said the Attorney General has given the opinion that, under the law (Code 18.1-55.1), the arrested person cannot escape the 90-day license suspension for refusing a test on the grounds that either the blood or breath test is not available. Colonel Durgess noted that this suspension for refusal stands whether the accused is convicted or acquitted of the driving while intoxicated charge and is in addition to other Penalties.

He observed that while the blood test is fair and accurate, it requires medical personnel for the withdrawal of blood and these are not always available or willing to do so. Further, he said, blood samples must be sent to a laboratory for analysis and returned, presenting the risks of loss, breakage, spoilage or mislabelling.

The breath test can be administered quickly by a trained police officer and the result is immediately available.

"The use of the breath test in this connection is a forward step," he said. "In the past, many cases have been lost through the complications of the blood test and in other cases police officers have charged reckless driving when they knew it would be impossible to procure a blood sample."

In concluding, Colonel Burgess said that five schools have been conducted by the Highway Safety Division, the Department of Health and Virginia Commonwealth University together for county and municipal police officers and that the next series of State Police schools for qualification will be held in February.

CVCC OFFERING THREE NEW COURSES IN SOCIAL SCIENCES

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3. Social Science 101: A three credit, three quarter course sequence that draws together most of the important group influences that affect human personality (government, the family, church, the economic system, etc.). It focuses on a survey of the major social sciences to help the student better understand himself and the society around him.

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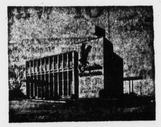

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